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## PERSONAL

Dr. Joshua Lederberg Professor and Executive Department of Genetics Stanford University Medical Center Palo Alto, California

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

I have conveyed the message in your recent letter to the White House. We are very disappointed that you feel you cannot accept appointment on the National Science Board at this particular time. However, we fully appreciate your position and agree that you should give the highest priority to your own research.

With every best wish for your continued success,

Sincerely,

Alan T. Waterman

Director